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FOREWORD

In discussions regarding the aspirations and problems of young people, the fallacy of generalization is constantly evident. This publication is a beginning effort to bring together statistical material about young Minnesotans, particularly those 12 to 22 years old.

The statistics are presented in numerical and verbal form so they can be easily read. We have purposely refrained from interpretation; this must be the task of the thoughtful reader and practitioner. We hope this effort will be helpful to all those concerned with young people and to the young themselves.

Since statistics are not kept uniformly, the search was not easy. Mitchell Berdie, of the Center for Youth Development and Research staff, and Stanley Meinen, of the 4-H staff, spent many months gathering relevant material. Mitchell Berdie was responsible for writing the narrative and organizing the publication. Stanley Meinen assembled the data on Minnesota youth compiled by the Minnesota Analysis and Planning System. The Agricultural Extension Service also provided the editorial and technical assistance necessary to bring the work to publication.

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Introduction

This publication concerns specific topics that are useful in identifying needs and presenting characteristics of the youthful population of Minnesota.

Data were gathered from two main sources. Basic demographic information pertaining to residence, work status, and income was obtained from the 1970 U.S. Census. Retrieval of this information from the fourth count census tapes was completed through the Minnesota Analysis and Planning System. Definitions of terms used by the U.S. Census Bureau appear on page 32.

Several agencies supplied information about specific areas. Without their cooperation, a large part of this publication could not have been compiled. These areas and sources included:

Public School Attendance: Minnesota Department of Education; Research, State Aids, and Statistics Section

Marriage: Minnesota Department of Public Health, Division of Vital Statistics

Public Welfare Recipients: Minnesota Department of Public Welfare, Division of Research and Statistics

Unwed Mothers: Minnesota Department of Public Welfare, Division of Research and Statistics, and Minnesota Department of Public Health, Division of Vital Statistics

Delinquency: Minnesota Department of Corrections, Division of Research and Planning

State Mental Hospital Admissions: Minnesota Department of Public Welfare, Division of Medical Services, Statistics Section

Veneral Disease: Minnesota Department of Public Health, Division of Disease Prevention and Control

Among the major obstacles in gathering uniform data is the fact that many agencies do not distinguish youth as a unique age group. Also, each agency gathers statistics on different age groups. The age groupings used in agency data (e.g., 9-14, 11-15, 12-17) often are incongruous with the age groupings used to discuss and study such subjects as maturity, education, or interest patterns. Agencies often change age categories from year to year. All of these factors suggest the difficulty of comparing and interpreting agency data.

Besides information on youth 12-22 years old, we have included some statistics on younger children to allow more accurate projections of youth services in the future.

Whenever possible, ages were categorized as:

1-5 years (preschool)

6-8 years (primary grades)

9-11 years (intermediate grades)

12-14 years (junior high school)

15-18 years (senior high school)

19-22 years (post high school)

These groups have roughly similar characteristics, needs, social sophistication, and educational development.

There are gaps in the information published; hence, the data presented do not present a complete picture of the state's youth. Such a picture could be drawn if public and private agencies collected and presented data in a uniform way.

Age Distribution of the Youthful Population in Minnesota

In 1970, there were 870,937 young people in Minnesota between the ages of 12 and 22 (table 1). They accounted for 23 percent of the total state population. There were 906,348 children under the age of 11 in the state, representing 24 percent of the total population.

Table 1. Age distribution, Minnesota, 1970

	0-22 years old	12-22 years old	0-11 years old
	1,777,285	870,937	906,348

Age Distribution by Place of Residence

Table 2 shows that 569,555 people between the ages of 12 and 22 lived in urban areas in Minnesota in 1970 (see page 32 for Census Bureau definitions). There were 585,436 children 0-11 years old living in urban areas. In each case, 65 percent of the population lived in urban areas.

Table 3 describes specific age breakdowns for individual counties.

Table 2. Age distribution, by place of residence, Minnesota, 1970

Residence	Age		
	0-22	12-22	0-11
Urban	1,154,991	569,555	585,436
Rural nonfarm	369,717	171,979	197,738
Farm	<u>252,577</u>	<u>129,403</u>	<u>123,174</u>
Total	1,777,285	870,937	906,348

Table 3. Age distribution, by place of residence, by county, Minnesota, 1970

AGE	0 - 5		6 - 8		9 - 11		12-14		15-18		19-22	
	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL
STATE	268779 89714 48792	407285	155582 53642 34813	244037	161075 54382 39569	255026	153465 51777 40050	245292	200063 61181 49466	310710	216027 59021 39887	314935
COUNTY NAME												
AITKIN	*** 643 252	895	*** 412 218	630	*** 468 276	744	*** 494 274	768	*** 607 330	937	*** 704 345	1049
ANOKA	20243 2574 335	23152	11812 1389 256	13457	11312 1370 301	12983	10022 1186 328	11536	10226 1117 397	11740	7288 697 249	8234
BFCKER	480 1282 698	2460	306 821 539	1666	398 824 553	1775	398 740 640	1778	486 860 758	2104	433 912 666	2011
BFLTRAMI	831 1181 532	2544	483 741 433	1657	521 701 473	1695	496 611 470	1577	1301 798 524	2623	1788 804 408	3000
BFNTON	1240 870 668	2778	624 465 378	1467	580 412 532	1524	534 407 563	1504	695 457 637	1789	685 439 345	1469
BTG STONE	224 219 254	697	198 109 241	548	197 121 225	543	171 123 192	486	231 159 259	649	233 250 204	687
BLUE EARTH	2411 1488 834	4733	1370 788 581	2739	1438 871 604	2913	1453 894 592	2939	3185 970 843	4998	4712 855 840	6407
BROWN	1782 379 829	2990	1086 213 509	1808	1210 187 625	2022	1162 178 625	1965	1509 154 710	2373	1714 205 493	2412
CARLTON	904 1633 289	2826	526 1162 277	1965	582 1189 303	2074	585 1104 263	1952	635 1413 366	2414	760 1110 315	2185
CARVER	1169 1454 828	3451	627 894 514	2035	676 868 549	2093	606 781 537	1924	780 912 677	2369	550 854 453	1857
CASS	*** 1124 258	1382	*** 808 170	978	*** 905 252	1157	*** 856 264	1120	*** 1151 331	1482	*** 1263 273	1536
CHIPPEWA	579 361 444	1384	360 269 317	946	369 272 364	1005	332 279 380	991	536 348 428	1312	537 262 518	1317
CHISAGO	*** 1460 330	1790	*** 933 268	1201	*** 922 318	1240	*** 980 361	1341	*** 1037 282	1319	*** 916 352	1268
CLAY	3058 988 540	4586	1759 724 356	2839	1889 685 370	2944	1892 589 413	2894	3344 617 585	4546	3900 613 437	4950
CLEARWATER	*** 562 228	790	*** 303 189	492	*** 281 260	541	*** 272 249	521	*** 347 271	618	*** 367 324	691

Table 3 (continued). Age distribution, by place of residence, by county, Minnesota, 1970

AGE	0 - 5		6 - 8		9 - 11		12-14		15-18		19-22	
	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL
COOK	*** 260 51	311	*** 170 64	234	*** 171 51	222	*** 155 32	187	*** 209 48	257	*** 267 63	330
COTTONWOOD	371 480 585	1436	246 357 332	935	204 366 376	946	181 332 357	870	254 409 532	1195	282 418 474	1174
CROW WING	1104 1772 411	3287	597 1261 293	2151	695 1230 342	2267	687 1173 370	2230	1006 1579 460	3045	1001 1518 426	2945
DAKOTA	16587 2472 655	19714	9382 1277 451	11110	9159 1358 603	11120	8378 1225 640	10243	8681 1254 677	10412	6854 763 384	8001
DODGE	*** 886 462	1348	*** 547 373	920	*** 589 376	965	*** 547 333	880	*** 601 461	1062	*** 541 432	973
DOUGLAS	499 964 598	2061	336 578 390	1304	368 617 521	1506	405 570 549	1524	760 768 671	2199	660 684 631	1975
FARIBAULT	595 663 600	1858	362 383 511	1256	400 409 574	1383	410 470 558	1438	547 567 598	1712	505 555 614	1674
FILLMORE	285 1071 813	2169	136 650 588	1374	130 619 595	1344	140 592 643	1375	213 753 809	1775	192 919 657	1768
FREEBORN	2036 1179 674	3889	1099 702 397	2198	1233 769 554	2556	1166 773 648	2587	1478 927 866	3271	1477 771 630	2878
GOODHUE	876 1705 767	3348	491 952 625	2068	603 1075 698	2376	642 1009 658	2309	1073 1203 840	3116	787 1119 692	2598
GRANT	*** 324 262	586	*** 248 200	448	*** 233 242	475	*** 212 277	489	*** 381 252	633	*** 315 286	601
HENNEPIN	96607 2156 325	99088	55253 1020 271	56544	57571 968 331	58870	55432 834 325	56591	70622 841 369	71832	82658 595 373	83626
HOUSTON	615 652 632	1899	387 406 351	1144	417 419 474	1310	330 391 464	1185	484 428 534	1446	376 531 494	1401
HUBBARD	250 524 181	955	140 342 128	610	175 338 179	692	167 317 216	700	254 380 233	867	269 486 254	1009
ISANTI	203 1239 347	1789	169 743 248	1160	216 659 288	1163	237 527 307	1071	341 702 384	1427	271 625 337	1233
ITASCA	637 2579 156	3372	450 1666 165	2281	482 1791 282	2555	514 1722 302	2538	701 2310 447	3458	634 2104 320	3058
JACKSON	261 342 655	1298	155 230 416	801	194 242 528	964	217 253 583	1053	338 389 580	1307	311 287 594	1192
KANABEC	253 469 351	1073	115 258 194	567	147 258 286	691	151 213 317	681	160 193 418	771	233 300 314	847
KANDIYOHI	1201 982 690	2873	764 509 556	1829	783 486 665	1934	756 504 724	1984	1313 590 854	2757	997 898 723	2618
KITTSOON	*** 433 159	592	*** 281 139	420	*** 259 165	424	*** 239 158	397	*** 404 274	678	*** 323 204	527
KOOCHICHIING	585 1059 104	1748	389 643 75	1107	399 740 89	1228	368 737 110	1215	569 893 130	1592	576 681 115	1372
LAC QUI PARLE	*** 515 470	985	*** 287 324	611	*** 298 419	717	*** 340 472	812	*** 375 573	948	*** 411 439	850
LAKE	763 487 71	1321	591 384 52	1027	598 401 55	1054	575 436 41	1052	774 397 44	1215	521 419 18	958
LAKE OF THE WOODS	*** 269 94	363	*** 164 71	235	*** 172 83	255	*** 197 80	277	*** 235 138	373	*** 187 106	293
LF SUEUR	598 1202 784	2584	246 688 462	1396	283 613 517	1413	294 600 479	1373	376 657 668	1701	346 799 628	1773
LITNCOLN	*** 269 460	729	*** 171 372	543	*** 133 389	522	*** 133 380	513	*** 209 482	691	*** 356 261	617
LYON	1137 654 624	2415	681 313 388	1382	744 408 521	1673	690 400 545	1635	1357 482 577	2416	1296 410 453	2159
MCLEOD	1280 1023 664	2967	686 515 519	1720	680 513 551	1744	723 502 519	1744	860 599 700	2159	1123 644 644	2411
MAHONOMEN	*** 315 327	642	*** 168 255	423	*** 162 268	430	*** 178 253	431	*** 186 256	442	*** 270 254	524
MARSHALL	*** 853 520	1373	*** 402 405	807	*** 431 490	921	*** 372 583	955	*** 476 631	1107	*** 580 496	1076
MARTIN	1008 578 669	2255	612 359 476	1447	634 385 551	1570	590 360 577	1527	802 436 692	1930	890 472 607	1969
MFEKER	466 782 598	1846	261 371 417	1049	314 407 569	1290	350 410 555	1315	367 507 751	1625	372 531 578	1481

Table 3 (continued). Age distribution, by place of residence, by county, Minnesota, 1970

AGE	0 - 5		6 - 8		9 - 11		12-14		15-18		19-22	
	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL	URBAN RNF FARM	TOTAL
WADENA	452		290		300		391		357		344	
	521		305		320		335		282		421	
	363	1316	237	832	249	869	258	984	263	902	304	1069
WASECA	710		386		461		415		587		512	
	532		287		250		255		308		279	
	546	1788	359	1032	418	1129	407	1077	583	1478	518	1309
WASHINGTON	8081		5079		4925		4313		4287		2930	
	2664		1604		1639		1567		1623		1085	
	562	11307	437	7120	487	7051	506	6386	523	6433	330	4345
WATONWAN	366		185		239		245		274		337	
	331		203		286		309		350		378	
	477	1174	312	700	402	927	421	975	508	1132	386	1101
WILKIN	329		235		245		246		367		318	
	166		119		128		127		152		129	
	417	912	269	623	290	663	283	656	428	947	293	740
WINONA	2088		1214		1777		1216		2604		3242	
	1484		865		833		785		894		843	
	570	4142	477	2556	517	2627	540	2541	708	4206	521	4606
WRIGHT	333		186		214		184		278		234	
	3417		1794		1805		1736		1909		1652	
	1115	4865	848	2828	915	2934	876	2796	1023	3210	830	2716
YFELLOW MEDICINE	206		138		173		193		260		170	
	486		322		355		383		407		398	
	597	1289	369	829	468	996	471	1047	699	1366	542	1110

Age Distribution by Race

Table 4 shows that in 1970 there were 14,918 nonwhite Minnesotans between the ages of 12 and 22 and 20,270 nonwhites between the ages of 0 and 11. These groups accounted for 2 percent of their respective age groups. The category Negro encompassed roughly half of the nonwhite population of each age group. There were 7,898 youths 12 to 22 years old and 10,066 children from 0 to 11 years old included in the category Negro.

There were 11,318 nonwhite young people 12 to 22 years old and 15,783 nonwhite children 0 to 11 who lived in counties in Standard Metropolitan Areas (Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Olmsted, Ramsey, St. Louis, Scott, and Washington Counties), as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau (table 5). In each case, approximately 77 percent of the nonwhite population lived in urban areas.

Table 4. Age distribution, by race, Minnesota, 1970

Race	Age		
	0-22	12-22	0-11
White	1,742,099	856,020	886,079
Negro	17,964	7,898	10,066
Other	17,222	7,018	10,204
Total	1,777,285	870,936	906,349

Table 5. Age distribution, by race, by county, Minnesota, 1970

AGE	0 - 5		6 - 8		9 - 11		12-14		15-18		19-22	
	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL
STATE	397455		238761		249863		240488		305153		310380	
	4956		2542		2568		2489		3008		2401	
	4874	407285	2736	244039	2594	255025	2314	245291	2549	310710	2155	314936
COUNTY NAME												
AITKIN	884		612		731		759		933		1041	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	11	895	20	632	12	743	8	767	4	937	9	1050
ANOKA	22927		13335		12894		11487		11664		8170	
	57		20		7		7		20		19	
	168	23152	103	13458	83	12984	40	11534	56	11740	46	8235
BECKER	2297		1569		1664		1659		2017		1963	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	163	2460	99	1668	113	1777	115	1774	87	2104	49	2012
BELTRAMI	2011		1283		1378		1290		2324		2800	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	533	2544	376	1659	316	1694	286	1576	299	2623	201	3001
BENSON	2772		1457		1517		1497		1784		1471	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	6	2778	12	1469	7	1524	5	1502	5	1789	0	1471
BIG STONE	697		550		543		484		649		688	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	0	697	0	550	0	543	0	484	0	649	0	688

Table 5 (continued). Age distribution, by race, by county, Minnesota, 1970

AGE	0 - 5			6 - 8			9 -11			12-14			15-18			19-22		
	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL		WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL		WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL		WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL		WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL		WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	
BLUE EARTH	4721 5 7	4733		2742 0 0	2742		2908 0 4	2912		2933 0 4	2937		4980 8 10	4998		6381 0 26	6407	
BROWN	2982 0 8	2990		1811 0 0	1811		2020 0 0	2020		1964 0 0	1964		2373 0 0	2373		2413 0 0	2413	
CARLTON	2727 0 99	2826		1921 0 46	1967		2002 0 71	2073		1877 0 74	1951		2385 0 29	2414		2150 0 36	2186	
CARVER	3445 0 6	3451		2032 0 4	2036		2092 0 1	2093		1923 0 0	1923		2369 0 0	2369		1858 0 0	1858	
CASS	1190 0 192	1382		809 0 171	980		958 0 199	1157		927 0 191	1118		1312 0 170	1482		1457 0 79	1536	
CHIPPEWA	1384 0 0	1384		948 0 0	948		1004 0 2	1006		985 0 3	988		1312 0 0	1312		1317 0 0	1317	
CHISAGO	1790 0 0	1790		1202 0 0	1202		1236 0 4	1240		1336 0 4	1340		1317 0 2	1319		1266 0 2	1268	
CLAY	4569 0 17	4586		2833 0 7	2840		2921 5 19	2945		2874 6 12	2892		4514 16 16	4546		4938 5 7	4950	
CLEARWATER	678 0 112	790		431 0 63	494		479 0 60	539		468 0 53	521		558 0 60	618		664 0 27	691	
COOK	304 0 7	311		224 0 11	235		215 2 5	222		181 3 2	186		248 0 9	257		328 1 1	330	
COTTONWOOD	1425 0 11	1436		934 0 3	937		945 0 1	946		868 0 0	868		1195 0 0	1195		1169 0 5	1174	
CROW WING	3273 0 14	3287		2148 0 4	2152		2260 4 6	2270		2219 6 1	2226		3036 4 5	3045		2935 0 10	2945	
DAKOTA	19478 79 157	19714		11034 20 60	11114		11025 21 70	11116		10162 21 60	10243		10314 40 58	10412		7951 9 42	8002	
DODGE	1348 0 0	1348		920 0 0	920		965 0 2	967		870 6 2	878		1056 6 0	1062		974 0 0	974	
DOUGLAS	2055 0 6	2061		1306 0 0	1306		1507 0 0	1507		1521 0 0	1521		2199 0 0	2199		1977 0 0	1977	
FARIBAULT	1853 0 5	1858		1258 0 0	1258		1382 0 2	1384		1433 0 2	1435		1712 0 0	1712		1667 0 8	1675	
FILLMORE	2169 0 0	2169		1375 0 0	1375		1343 0 3	1346		1369 0 3	1372		1775 0 0	1775		1767 0 2	1769	
FREEBORN	3889 0 0	3889		2192 0 8	2200		2547 0 9	2556		2579 0 6	2585		3243 20 8	3271		2873 0 6	2879	
GOODHUF	3333 0 15	3348		2070 0 0	2070		2374 0 2	2376		2299 5 3	2307		3067 17 32	3116		2599 0 0	2599	
GRANT	581 0 5	586		446 0 3	449		472 0 2	474		489 0 0	489		633 0 0	633		600 0 1	601	
HENNEPIN	94231 2998 1859	99088		54101 1551 893	56545		56647 1449 774	58870		54496 1400 694	56590		69550 1519 763	71832		81575 1295 757	83627	
HOUSTON	1899 0 0	1899		1144 0 2	1146		1308 0 1	1309		1184 0 0	1184		1446 0 0	1446		1402 0 0	1402	
HURBARO	905 0 50	955		585 0 27	612		667 0 26	693		674 0 23	697		849 0 18	867		989 0 20	1009	
ISANTI	1783 0 6	1789		1159 0 3	1162		1162 0 1	1163		1069 0 0	1069		1421 0 6	1427		1229 0 5	1234	
ITASCA	3267 0 105	3372		2191 0 93	2284		2436 0 118	2554		2436 0 100	2536		3379 0 79	3458		3002 0 57	3059	
JACKSON	1298 0 0	1298		804 0 0	804		961 0 0	961		1053 0 0	1053		1307 0 0	1307		1193 0 0	1193	
KANABEC	1073 0 0	1073		566 0 3	569		684 0 6	690		675 0 5	680		765 0 6	771		848 0 6	848	
KANDIYOHI	2864 0 9	2873		1831 0 0	1831		1934 0 0	1934		1982 0 0	1982		2757 0 0	2757		2613 0 6	2619	
KITTSO	588 0 4	592		418 0 3	421		422 0 2	424		396 0 0	396		678 0 0	678		528 0 0	528	
KOOCHICHING	1713 0 35	1748		1094 0 14	1108		1209 0 19	1228		1193 0 21	1214		1587 0 5	1592		1352 0 21	1373	
LAC QUI PARLE	985 0 0	985		609 0 4	613		714 0 2	716		811 0 0	811		943 0 5	948		850 0 0	850	
LAKE	1321 0 0	1321		1020 0 10	1030		1051 0 2	1053		1045 0 5	1050		1211 0 4	1215		956 0 2	958	

Table 5 (continued). Age distribution, by race, by county, Minnesota, 1970

AGE	0 - 5		6 - 8		9 -11		12-14		15-18		19-22	
	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL
LAKE OF THE WOODS	358 0 5	363	231 0 5	236	251 0 4	255	271 0 5	276	365 0 8	373	294 0 0	294
LE SUEUR	2563 0 21	2584	1388 0 11	1399	1403 0 9	1412	1357 0 14	1371	1701 0 0	1701	1771 0 3	1774
LINCOLN	725 0 4	729	545 0 0	545	521 0 0	521	512 0 0	512	691 0 0	691	617 0 0	617
LYON	2404 0 11	2415	1380 0 4	1384	1672 2 0	1674	1625 7 0	1632	2394 19 3	2416	2146 9 5	2160
MCLEOD	2963 0 4	2967	1722 0 0	1722	1743 0 0	1743	1743 0 0	1743	2159 0 0	2159	2412 0 0	2412
MAHONOMEN	530 0 112	642	384 0 41	425	407 0 23	430	397 0 32	429	388 0 54	442	446 0 78	524
MARSHALL	1373 0 0	1373	801 0 6	807	913 0 8	921	950 5 9	955	1107 0 0	1107	1063 14 0	1077
MARTIN	2255 0 0	2255	1448 0 0	1448	1571 0 0	1571	1525 0 0	1525	1930 0 0	1930	1969 0 0	1969
MEEKER	1843 0 3	1846	1051 0 0	1051	1290 0 0	1290	1313 0 0	1313	1618 0 7	1625	1482 0 0	1482
MILLELACS	1573 0 37	1610	1033 0 31	1064	1029 0 31	1060	930 0 27	957	1259 0 28	1287	1152 0 45	1197
MORRISON	3101 0 16	3117	1997 0 0	1997	2061 0 4	2065	1958 0 9	1967	2446 0 11	2457	1908 0 5	1913
MOWER	4258 0 11	4269	2804 0 3	2807	3049 0 2	3051	3093 5 5	3098	4144 0 6	4150	3338 0 0	3338
MURRAY	1143 0 5	1148	819 0 0	819	936 0 2	938	1047 0 3	1050	1162 9 9	1171	965 0 0	965
NICOLLET	2588 12 8	2608	1401 0 0	1401	1533 0 0	1533	1493 0 0	1493	2132 5 0	2137	2468 35 7	2510
NOBLES	2379 16 16	2411	1344 18 2	1364	1614 21 4	1639	1738 17 5	1760	1977 5 0	1982	1839 6 10	1855
NORMAN	882 0 0	882	558 0 0	558	608 0 0	608	609 0 0	609	749 0 0	749	875 0 0	875
OLMSTED	10226 18 43	10287	5903 10 32	5945	5743 13 25	5781	5253 7 10	5270	6069 4 6	6079	6476 8 50	6534
OTTER TAIL	4051 25 0	4076	2649 0 0	2649	2934 0 0	2934	3018 0 5	3023	3836 5 0	3841	4103 3 5	4111
PENNINGTON	1284 0 9	1293	775 0 0	775	860 0 0	860	793 0 0	793	1193 0 0	1193	1172 0 5	1177
PINE	1519 0 9	1528	1037 0 9	1046	1132 0 11	1143	1111 0 11	1122	1466 0 41	1507	1345 0 11	1356
PIPESTONE	1220 0 6	1226	795 0 3	798	870 0 2	872	903 0 0	903	1116 0 4	1120	1019 0 0	1019
POLK	3230 0 19	3249	2200 0 5	2205	2325 0 2	2327	2333 0 2	2335	3034 0 882	3034	2835 0 1003	2843
POPE	927 0 7	934	706 0 11	717	716 0 6	722	691 0 3	694	882 0 7	889	1003 0 0	1003
RAMSEY	50328 1480 578	52386	28364 778 265	29407	28873 928 282	30083	27045 883 252	28180	35085 1105 354	36544	39944 867 297	41068
RED LAKE	626 0 13	639	396 0 4	400	383 0 6	389	387 0 3	390	479 0 3	482	392 0 8	400
RFDWOOD	2079 0 5	2084	1304 0 6	1310	1387 0 18	1405	1388 0 17	1405	1605 0 25	1630	1563 0 14	1577
RFDVILLE	2028 0 0	2028	1335 0 7	1342	1490 0 0	1490	1503 0 0	1503	1759 0 0	1759	1725 0 7	1732
RICE	4040 6 0	4046	2402 5 0	2407	2634 3 0	2637	2644 3 0	2647	3974 32 11	4017	4021 20 11	4052
ROCK	1107 0 0	1107	747 0 0	747	780 0 0	780	798 0 0	798	968 0 0	968	831 0 5	836
ROSEAU	1203 0 7	1210	744 0 32	776	822 0 14	836	724 0 9	733	1001 0 25	1026	1034 0 5	1039
ST LOUIS	20212 179 180	20571	12889 80 144	13113	14151 77 119	14347	14013 85 95	14193	18725 84 115	18924	19990 63 134	20187
SCOTT	4525 0 5	4530	2625 0 10	2635	2550 0 17	2567	2339 0 14	2353	2560 0 0	2560	2161 0 5	2166

Table 5 (continued). Age distribution, by race, by county, Minnesota, 1970

AGE	0 - 5		6 - 8		9 - 11		12-14		15-18		19-22	
	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE NEGRO OTHER	TOTAL
SHERBURNE	2101		1305		1247		1243		1382		1325	
	5		0		0		0		8		0	
	5	2111	0	1305	6	1253	5	1248	6	1396	7	1332
STURLEY	1526		1081		1062		1002		1284		1338	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	0	1526	0	1081	0	1062	0	1002	0	1284	0	1338
STEARNS	11175		6865		6992		6542		9584		8743	
	0		0		0		9		25		19	
	10	11185	10	6875	21	7013	26	6577	41	9650	20	8782
STEELE	2810		1820		1858		1744		2236		2078	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	6	2816	0	1820	0	1858	0	1744	0	2236	0	2078
STEVENS	1058		600		707		743		1215		1063	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	15	1073	23	623	8	715	2	745	6	1221	0	1063
SWIFT	1337		824		851		887		1125		1046	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	13	1350	11	835	3	854	0	887	0	1125	0	1046
TODD	2204		1455		1548		1495		1979		1618	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	5	2209	0	1455	0	1548	0	1495	0	1979	0	1618
TRAVERSE	554		384		431		432		529		533	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	10	564	23	407	15	446	10	442	5	534	5	538
WARASHA	1787		1120		1189		1109		1413		1322	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	0	1787	4	1124	1	1190	0	1109	0	1413	0	1322
WADENA	1304		824		857		976		890		1068	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	12	1316	10	834	11	868	7	983	12	902	3	1071
WASECA	1788		1032		1131		1075		1473		1309	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	0	1788	0	1032	0	1131	0	1075	5	1478	0	1309
WASHINGTON	11225		7080		7024		6374		6380		4316	
	11		0		0		0		5		14	
	71	11307	42	7122	26	7050	11	6385	48	6433	16	4346
WATONWAN	1168		702		928		972		1132		1101	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	6	1174	0	702	0	928	0	972	0	1132	0	1101
WILKIN	907		626		662		654		942		741	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	5	912	0	626	0	662	0	654	5	947	0	741
WINONA	4130		2558		2624		2535		4200		4603	
	8		0		3		4		0		0	
	4	4142	0	2558	1	2628	-1	2538	6	4206	4	4607
WRIGHT	4845		2830		2934		2779		3187		2710	
	0		0		0		5		17		0	
	20	4865	0	2830	0	2934	10	2794	6	3210	7	2717
YELLOW MEDICINE	1284		832		989		1038		1366		1110	
	0		0		0		0		0		0	
	5	1289	0	832	6	995	7	1045	0	1366	1	1111

Family Income

For 20 counties, families earning less than \$3,000 a year accounted for less than 10 percent of the county's population in 1970 (table 6). Table 7 presents the distribution of families by their income. Even though some counties (Hennepin, Ramsey, and St. Louis) had small percentages of families earning less than \$3,000 per year, the actual number of families earning this amount may have been considerable.

In eight Minnesota counties, more than 20 percent of the families earned less than \$3,000 a year. A cursory examination of other topics presented in this publication indicates that counties with a high proportion of low income families also are relatively high in rates of school withdrawals, delinquency, and other correlates of low income.

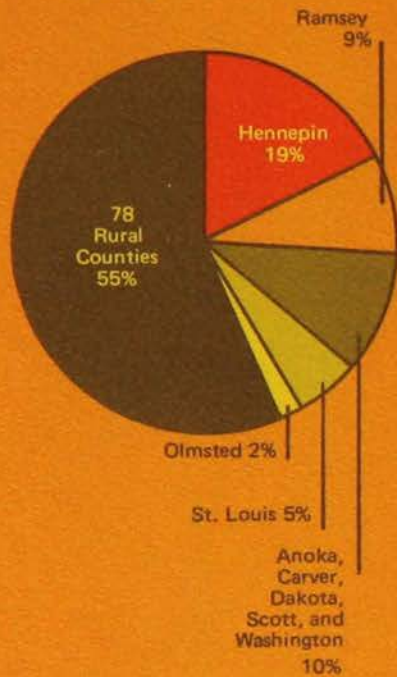
Of children under 18 years old, 129,804 were living in families with incomes below the poverty level (table 8), representing 9 percent of all children in this age range in the state. Of these children, 67 percent were living in families with both parents present; 33 percent, a minority, lived in one-parent families.

Table 6. Percentage of families in county earning less than \$3,000 per year, Minnesota, 1970

Less than 10 percent		
Anoka	Freeborn	Rice
Blue Earth	Hennepin	St. Louis
Carlton	Lake	Scott
Carver	Mower	Sherburne
Clay	Nicollet	Steele
Cook	Olmsted	Washington
Dakota	Ramsey	

Figure 1. Students in secondary public schools, by county, Minnesota, 1970-71

Total = 496,361



Public School Attendance and Withdrawals

Enrollment in state public secondary schools shows that 45 percent of the students attended such schools in urban areas in 1970-71 (figure 1 and table 9). Enrollment in Twin Cities secondary public schools represented 38 percent of state enrollment. There was also a total of 12,879 students attending the state's 31 area vocational schools.

The State Board of Education has kept statistics regarding student withdrawal from high school (table 10) only since 1968-69. Counties do not consistently report such figures.

The facts available show that in 1970, students withdrawing for school problems after reaching compulsory age for school attendance accounted for the largest category of withdrawals (see totals, table 10). The category school problems is assumed to concern students who are unable or unwilling to keep up academically with the demands of high school and who voluntarily leave the school system. This category contrasts with expulsion, or involuntary withdrawal from the school system. Expulsion represented the smallest category of reasons for withdrawing from school.

Economic problems was the second most frequent reason students withdrew from school. Almost 700 young people withdrew from school during the 1969-70 school year to help support themselves or their families.

Individuals committed to correctional institutions accounted for the next largest category of school withdrawals. Leaving school for this reason does not mean that school attendance actually ceased, since education is an integral part of the correction program.

Withdrawal rates (table 11) of nine urban counties (Hennepin, Ramsey, Carver, Dakota, Anoka, Scott, Washington, St. Louis, and Olmsted) in 1970 showed that only Hennepin and Ramsey had more withdrawals than their school populations indicated.

Hennepin County accounted for 23 percent of the state secondary school population and had 36 percent of the withdrawals. In other words, though only one out of four of the state's secondary school students resided in Hennepin County, more than one out of three students who withdrew from state secondary schools resided in Hennepin County. Ramsey County, with 10 percent of the state secondary population, had 16 percent of the withdrawals. All other urban (or perhaps suburban) counties had an equal or smaller percentage of withdrawals compared to their public secondary school population.

Ten rural counties (Beltrami, Cass, Clearwater, Cook, Crow Wing, Hubbard, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, and Wright) accounted for more withdrawals than their secondary school populations might indicate (table 12). However, these counties combined accounted for only around 7 percent of the withdrawals in the state.

Table 9. Public school enrollment, Minnesota, 1970-71*

County	Enrollment			Percentage of all youth in secondary schools
	Elementary	Secondary	Total	
Aitkin	1,478	1,400	1,878	.38
Anoka	27,605	19,400	47,005	3.91
Beltrami	3,239	3,018	6,257	.61
Benton	1,874	1,983	3,857	.40
Big Stone	1,235	1,175	2,410	.24
Blue Earth	5,595	5,206	10,801	1.05
Brown	2,259	2,559	4,818	.52
Carlton	4,147	3,917	8,064	.79
Carver	2,426	2,702	5,128	.54
Cass	2,169	1,965	4,134	.40
Chippewa	1,680	1,799	3,479	.36
Chisago	2,415	2,074	4,489	.42
Clay	5,469	5,377	10,846	1.08
Clearwater	1,073	1,016	2,089	.20
Cook	479	428	907	.09
Cottonwood	2,183	1,945	4,128	.39
Crow Wing	4,219	4,213	8,432	.85
Dakota	20,167	15,583	35,750	3.14

Table 9 (continued). Public school enrollment, Minnesota, 1970-71

County	Enrollment			Percentage of all youth in secondary schools
	Elementary	Secondary	Total	
Dodge	2,352	1,935	4,287	.39
Douglas	2,716	2,922	5,638	.59
Faribault	2,461	2,850	5,311	.57
Fillmore	2,605	2,477	5,082	.50
Freeborn	4,434	4,201	8,635	.85
Goodhue	4,562	4,313	8,875	.87
Grant	1,020	1,111	2,131	.22
Hennepin	99,738	94,698	194,436	19.08
Houston	1,931	2,425	4,356	.49
Hubbard	1,361	1,464	2,825	.29
Isanti	2,062	1,751	3,813	.35
Itasca	4,977	5,179	10,156	1.04
Jackson	1,489	1,594	3,083	.32
Kanabec	1,136	1,092	2,228	.22
Kandiyohi	3,214	3,304	6,518	.67
Kittson	857	979	1,836	.20
Koochiching	2,106	2,341	4,447	.47
Lac qui Parle	1,087	1,043	2,130	.21
Lake	2,113	1,944	4,057	.39
Lake of the Woods	521	522	1,043	.10
LeSueur	1,910	2,319	4,229	.46
Lincoln	1,120	1,057	2,177	.21
Lyon	2,798	3,210	6,008	.65
McLeod	2,578	3,054	5,632	.61
Mahnomen	918	997	1,915	.20
Marshall	1,920	1,926	3,845	.39
Martin	2,673	3,050	5,723	.61
Meeke	2,471	2,931	5,402	.59
Mille Lacs	2,888	2,626	5,514	.53
Morrison	3,329	3,676	7,005	.74
Mower	4,839	5,090	9,929	1.02
Murray	1,260	1,404	2,664	.28
Nicollet	1,428	1,296	2,724	.26
Nobles	2,398	2,830	5,228	.57
Norman	1,175	1,148	2,323	.23
Olmsted	10,837	8,527	19,364	1.71
Otter Tail	5,069	5,378	10,447	1.08
Pennington	1,687	1,748	3,435	.35
Pine	2,150	2,115	4,235	.43
Pipestone	1,723	1,804	3,527	.36
Polk	4,263	3,827	8,090	.77
Pope	1,251	1,317	2,568	.26
Ramsey	47,584	43,235	90,819	8.71
Red Lake	713	737	1,450	.15
Redwood	1,244	2,363	3,607	.48
Renville	2,277	2,609	4,786	.53
Rice	3,559	3,484	7,043	.70
Rock	1,284	1,341	2,625	.27
Roseau	1,670	1,479	3,149	.30
St. Louis	27,386	26,461	53,847	5.33
Scott	3,285	3,437	6,722	.69
Sherburne	1,987	1,841	3,828	.37
Sibley	1,766	1,709	3,475	.34
Stearns	9,862	11,643	21,505	2.35
Steele	3,728	3,367	7,095	.68
Stevens	1,273	1,403	2,676	.28
Swift	1,794	2,084	3,878	.42
Todd	2,489	2,829	5,318	.57
Traverse	806	864	1,570	.17
Wabasha	2,178	2,307	4,485	.46
Wadena	1,817	2,004	3,821	.40
Waseca	2,015	1,925	3,940	.39
Washington	12,639	9,465	22,104	1.91
Watsonwan	1,468	1,695	3,163	.34
Wilkin	1,050	1,197	2,247	.24
Winona	4,074	3,670	7,744	.74
Wright	4,638	4,544	9,182	.92
Yellow Medicine	1,846	2,074	3,920	.42
Total	437,671	496,361	934,032	100.00

* Minnesota Department of Education; Research, State Aids, and Statistics Section, County Enrollment Reports, 1970-1971

Table 10. State public school withdrawals, Minnesota, 1969-70*

County	Left school after compulsory age because of		Issued work permit	Excused for physical or mental reason	Committed to correctional institution	Enlisted in armed forces	Left school because of marriage	Left school because of expulsion	Left school because of pregnancy	Other	Unknown reason	Total dropouts	Total end of year enrollment and withdrawals grades 7-12	Percentage of total enrollment and withdrawals grades 7-12
	School problems	Economic problems												
Aitkin.....	4	3	—	3	—	1	8	2	1	6	4	32	1,529	2.09
Anoka.....	164	69	1	20	37	18	15	52	2	40	78	496	19,896	2.49
Becker.....	24	6	—	1	2	—	1	1	2	5	—	42	2,648	1.59
Beltrami.....	19	—	—	4	—	3	9	2	2	38	1	78	3,095	2.52
Benton.....	8	10	2	—	1	—	3	2	—	18	—	44	2,027	2.17
Big Stone.....	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	7	1,182	.59
Blue Earth.....	14	1	2	—	6	7	5	1	2	36	5	79	5,317	1.48
Brown.....	5	1	1	—	1	2	12	3	1	3	5	23	2,582	.89
Carlton.....	19	—	—	3	6	5	11	2	—	4	13	63	3,983	1.58
Carver.....	28	5	—	2	2	1	3	—	—	11	—	52	2,578	2.02
Cass.....	20	11	—	—	3	3	3	3	3	9	5	60	2,070	2.90
Chippewa.....	2	1	—	—	—	—	5	—	1	3	2	14	1,813	.77
Chicago.....	15	—	—	4	3	1	6	5	—	4	1	39	2,113	1.84
Clay.....	20	—	1	4	1	1	4	5	2	1	2	41	5,418	.76
Clearwater.....	14	—	—	—	4	—	3	—	1	2	1	25	1,041	2.40
Cook.....	7	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	11	430	2.56
Cottonwood.....	9	—	—	1	2	2	4	1	—	1	2	22	1,919	1.15
Crow Wing.....	7	9	—	3	10	11	5	1	2	41	15	104	4,317	2.41
Dakota.....	165	13	5	21	29	9	13	8	1	31	24	319	15,904	2.00
Dodge.....	14	1	4	2	—	3	1	2	2	3	3	35	1,976	1.77
Douglas.....	16	2	—	12	5	2	4	5	3	3	—	41	3,963	1.03
Faribault.....	1	—	1	1	3	—	4	—	4	2	1	17	2,867	.59
Fillmore.....	15	2	—	—	2	2	1	—	2	—	5	29	2,147	1.35
Freeborn.....	66	2	—	2	7	3	1	—	2	3	9	95	4,296	2.21
Goodhue.....	21	3	1	1	7	1	3	1	—	8	1	47	4,360	1.01
Grant.....	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	1,116	.45
Hennepin.....	1,928	374	3	135	250	102	79	21	71	594	49	3,606	98,304	3.67
Houston.....	8	4	—	2	2	—	6	2	2	2	2	30	2,455	1.22
Hubbard.....	25	—	—	3	7	3	3	1	4	—	3	49	1,691	2.90
Isanti.....	20	—	—	5	—	—	—	1	1	3	—	30	1,672	1.79
Itasca.....	64	4	1	7	3	1	13	8	1	13	14	129	5,308	2.43
Jackson.....	8	—	—	2	2	—	2	—	2	3	1	20	1,617	1.24
Kanabec.....	16	5	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	24	1,116	2.15
Kandiyohi.....	20	—	—	—	2	—	1	1	3	—	1	28	3,328	.84
Kittson.....	6	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	10	989	1.01
Koochiching.....	53	1	1	3	13	2	13	—	5	1	2	94	2,469	3.81
Lac qui Parle.....	1	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	1	5	1,348	.37
Lake.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,128	—
Lake of the Woods.....	6	9	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	19	541	3.50
LeSueur.....	7	—	—	1	4	—	—	—	2	1	4	19	2,338	.80
Lincoln.....	6	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	11	1,098	1.00
Lyon.....	17	1	—	1	3	—	1	2	1	1	5	32	3,433	.93

McLeod	4	5	—	1	1	—	—	—	3	1	—	15	1,012	1.48
Mahnomen	7	—	1	2	5	—	2	1	1	4	6	29	1,952	1.48
Marshall	11	1	—	2	1	—	3	1	—	5	2	26	3,076	.84
Martin	11	5	—	3	3	1	4	—	3	5	2	37	3,131	1.18
Meeker	11	3	—	—	2	1	9	—	—	2	3	31	2,962	1.05
Mille Lacs	38	—	—	3	5	1	5	—	1	8	—	61	2,687	2.27
Morrison	10	4	—	—	—	—	4	—	1	1	1	21	3,691	.57
Mower	94	1	—	4	5	1	7	—	4	3	—	121	5,239	2.31
Murray	4	—	—	1	6	—	1	—	1	4	3	20	1,466	1.36
Nicollet	7	1	—	1	3	1	—	—	—	5	—	18	1,446	1.24
Nobles	3	—	—	4	3	2	5	—	—	6	9	32	2,862	1.19
Norman	1	5	—	—	1	—	3	—	1	—	—	11	1,187	.93
Olmsted (1969)	13	—	96	1	11	4	8	—	1	2	—	136	8,647	1.57
Otter Tail	45	3	—	—	5	5	5	—	—	4	6	73	5,433	1.34
Pennington	41	—	—	2	4	—	—	2	—	3	3	55	1,770	3.11
Pine	30	4	1	—	3	—	2	2	—	—	8	50	2,203	2.27
Pipestone	2	11	—	—	—	1	3	—	2	2	2	23	1,727	1.32
Potk	44	15	—	7	4	6	7	—	3	3	2	91	4,000	2.28
Pope	6	—	—	1	2	—	1	2	6	—	—	18	1,335	1.35
Ramsey	529	30	2	74	43	61	29	5	7	646	173	1,599	44,834	3.57
Red Lake	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	744	.67
Redwood	5	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	9	2,670	.34
Renville	4	3	—	—	2	1	5	1	2	2	3	23	2,632	.88
Rice	41	1	—	2	5	1	5	—	—	2	—	57	3,541	1.61
Rock	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2	—	4	1,344	.30
Roseau	3	2	—	2	3	2	1	—	—	6	4	23	1,502	1.53
St. Louis	133	13	33	18	56	35	22	10	6	242	24	592	25,053	2.36
Scott	13	2	—	1	—	—	3	—	—	—	2	21	7,339	.29
Sherburne	3	11	—	2	2	—	6	—	1	4	4	33	1,950	1.69
Sibley	3	—	—	2	—	2	1	1	2	—	1	12	172	.70
Stearns	24	1	—	1	6	6	6	3	4	118	5	173	11,816	1.46
Steele	21	5	—	2	3	1	5	3	—	3	—	43	3,406	1.26
Stevens	1	—	1	2	3	2	2	—	—	1	2	14	1,417	.99
Swift	15	1	—	1	3	—	1	—	1	4	2	28	2,112	1.32
Todd	20	3	—	2	1	1	6	—	7	8	3	51	2,880	1.77
Traverse	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	866	.23
Wabasha	3	1	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	5	12	2,319	.51
Wadena	12	5	—	—	—	1	4	—	—	—	—	22	2,026	1.08
Waseca	6	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	9	1,932	.46
Washington	136	3	1	7	16	3	7	1	2	76	2	254	9,719	2.61
Watsonwan	4	—	—	—	4	—	3	—	—	—	2	13	1,712	.76
Wilkin	6	2	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	2	—	13	1,207	1.08
Winona	19	—	22	2	4	1	1	1	1	3	—	54	3,724	1.45
Wright	56	11	—	5	4	3	6	2	1	12	12	112	4,657	2.40
Yellow Medicine	8	1	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	—	13	2,087	.62
Total	4,322	693	180	392	643	331	427	169	191	2,082	555	9,985	431,458	2.31

Table 11. Comparison of percentage state secondary population and withdrawals, urban counties, Minnesota, 1970*

County	Number of students grades 7-12 before withdrawals	Percentage of total state students grades 7-12 before withdrawals	Number of withdrawals	Percentage of total state withdrawals
Hennepin	98,304	23.0	3,606	36.0
Ramsey	44,834	10.0	1,599	16.0
Anoka	19,896	5.0	496	5.0
Carver	2,578	0.6	52	0.5
Dakota	15,904	4.0	319	3.0
Scott	7,339	2.0	21	0.2
Washington	9,719	2.0	254	2.0
Olmsted (Rochester) ...	8,647	2.0	136	1.0
St. Louis	25,053	6.0	592	6.0
Total	232,274	54.6	7,075	69.7

* Minnesota Department of Education, Research, State Aids, and Statistics Section, *Report on Changes in School Membership, 1969-1970*

Table 12. Rural counties with larger percentages of state secondary school withdrawals than total state students, Minnesota, 1970*

County	Number of students grades 7-12 before withdrawals	Percentage of total state students grades 7-12 before withdrawals	Number of withdrawals	Percentage of total state withdrawals
Beltrami	3,095	0.72	78	0.78
Cass	2,070	0.48	60	0.60
Clearwater	1,041	0.24	25	0.25
Cook	430	0.10	11	0.11
Crow Wing	4,317	1.00	104	1.04
Hubbard	1,691	0.39	49	0.49
Itasca	5,308	1.23	129	1.29
Koochiching	2,469	0.57	94	0.94
Lake of the Woods	541	0.12	19	0.19
Wright	4,657	1.08	112	1.12
Total	25,619	6.01	681	6.82

* Minnesota Department of Education; Research, State Aids, and Statistics Section, *Report on Changes in School Membership, 1969-1970*

Table 14 (continued). Employment status of women with children under 18 years old, by county, Minnesota, 1970

	HUSBAND PRESENT						OTHER WOMEN					
	CHILDREN UNDER 18			NO CHILDREN UNDER 18			CHILDREN UNDER 18			NO CHILDREN UNDER 18		
	TOTAL	PCT OF EMPLOYED	PCT NOT EMPLOYED	TOTAL	PCT OF EMPLOYED	PCT NOT EMPLOYED	TOTAL	PCT OF EMPLOYED	PCT NOT EMPLOYED	TOTAL	PCT OF EMPLOYED	PCT NOT EMPLOYED
NICOLLET	2869	40.36	59.64	2034	58.01	41.99	194	64.95	35.05	3500	59.83	40.17
NOBLES	3063	37.06	62.94	2166	68.10	31.90	218	61.47	38.53	2559	60.38	39.62
NORMAN	1216	35.12	64.88	1123	72.84	27.16	81	28.40	71.60	1086	80.20	19.80
OLMSTED	12029	42.25	57.75	6353	50.07	49.93	794	77.08	22.92	11240	43.69	56.31
OTTER TAIL	5441	39.31	60.69	5023	64.80	35.20	369	66.94	33.06	5429	69.68	30.32
PFNNINGTON	1656	45.05	54.95	1223	57.89	42.11	118	72.03	27.97	1714	56.77	43.23
PTNE	1929	43.65	56.35	1831	68.10	31.90	158	65.82	34.18	1612	68.49	31.51
PIPESTONE	1616	33.42	66.58	1320	62.80	37.20	134	60.45	39.55	1418	62.55	37.45
POLK	4186	43.05	56.95	3219	64.00	36.00	336	60.12	39.88	4110	64.28	35.72
POPE	1344	36.38	63.62	1241	72.12	27.88	102	88.24	11.76	1205	64.73	35.27
RAMSEY	58420	39.12	60.88	41154	52.35	47.65	7475	57.97	42.03	68275	46.50	53.50
RED LAKE	601	39.43	60.57	422	69.43	30.57	63	66.67	33.33	582	72.51	27.49
REDWOOD	2515	39.92	60.08	1979	69.23	30.77	166	65.66	34.34	2102	70.22	29.78
RFNVILLE	2616	39.22	60.78	2176	68.75	31.25	160	67.50	32.50	2245	68.60	31.40
RICE	4679	45.18	54.82	3310	57.89	42.11	330	72.42	27.58	6670	60.00	40.00
ROCK	1509	31.21	68.79	1103	68.72	31.28	93	54.84	45.16	1229	58.83	41.17
ROSEAU	1466	39.70	60.30	1031	58.00	42.00	89	70.79	29.21	1096	64.23	35.77
ST LOUIS	26872	35.03	64.97	21026	65.88	34.12	2836	50.60	49.40	29054	60.64	39.36
SCOTT	4617	43.84	56.16	2190	56.12	43.88	280	68.57	31.43	2920	53.97	46.03
SHERBURN	2287	40.23	59.77	1602	59.99	40.01	116	81.90	18.10	1677	62.79	37.21
STBLEY	2038	38.13	61.87	1755	62.96	37.04	98	77.55	22.45	1510	67.48	32.52
STEARNS	11283	33.44	66.56	6166	61.56	38.44	720	63.61	36.39	13051	56.76	43.24
STEELE	3623	45.96	54.04	2635	56.28	43.72	230	73.48	26.52	2961	55.08	44.92
STEVENS	1285	41.25	58.75	986	64.40	35.60	104	87.50	12.50	1542	63.94	36.06
SWIFT	1585	38.61	61.39	1368	64.04	35.96	99	56.57	43.43	1419	68.85	31.15
TODD	2637	39.14	60.86	2236	73.66	26.34	172	52.33	47.67	2434	67.75	32.25
TRAVERSE	764	34.82	65.18	670	65.22	34.78	58	46.55	53.45	673	72.81	27.19
WABASHA	2208	42.35	57.65	1613	67.27	32.73	121	70.25	29.75	2020	65.45	34.55
WADENA	1468	33.58	66.42	1299	67.98	32.02	112	63.39	36.61	1270	73.39	26.61
WASECA	2176	47.89	52.11	1621	58.11	41.89	120	71.67	28.33	1891	64.25	35.75
WASHINGTON	12531	41.45	58.55	5030	55.33	44.67	761	65.31	34.69	6152	51.37	48.63
WATONWAN	1725	36.58	63.42	1445	63.94	36.06	80	80.00	20.00	1455	68.59	31.41
WILKIN	1191	35.52	64.48	813	71.71	28.29	91	54.95	45.05	1142	66.29	33.71
WINONA	4808	41.99	58.01	4102	57.56	42.44	426	75.35	24.65	7146	58.09	41.91
WRIGHT	5125	43.67	56.33	3347	61.70	38.30	249	70.28	29.72	3543	61.08	38.92
YELLOW MEDICINE	1854	33.66	66.34	1445	68.51	31.49	100	69.00	31.00	1524	73.49	26.51

Marriages

The statistics supplied by the Minnesota Department of Health, Division of Vital Statistics, do not contain consistent age breakdowns between the years 1965 and 1970, which makes it difficult to interpret any trends in age of marriage. For the period 1965-70, the information does show that there was no increase in the percentage of women married by age 24. Three-quarters of all women married in a year are under that age. There was a slight increase in the number of men married before age 24, from 63 percent in 1965 to 66 percent in 1970.

Table 15. Marriage age in Minnesota, 1965 and 1970* (This is a cross index table. Each cell represents the number of marriages between a bride and groom of a specific age.)

Age of bride	1965									
	Age of groom									
	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64
15-19	2,325	5,767	636	87	24	15	2	1	3	1
20-24	330	7,974	2,914	524	174	46	23	9	3	1
25-29	8	300	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30-34	—	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35-39	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
40-44	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total brides, 1965:	26,472									
Brides 24 years and under, 1965:	20,861									
Percentage of total brides 24 years and under, 1965:	78									
Total grooms, 1965:	26,472									
Grooms 24 years and under, 1965:	16,736									
Percentage of total grooms 24 years and under, 1965:	63									

Table 15 (continued). Marriage age in Minnesota, 1965 and 1970 (This is a cross index table. Each cell represents the number of marriages between a bride and groom of a specific age.)

Age of bride	1970												
	Age of groom												
	Under 18	18-19	20	21-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-65	65+
Under 18	2	749	228	376	41	8	1	—	—	1	—	—	1
18-19	10	2,514	1,659	3,639	602	19	27	5	3	1	2	—	1
20	2	395	824	2,724	506	81	16	3	1	3	—	—	3
21-24	11	175	423	6,464	2,690	467	128	43	16	8	2	—	2
25-29	1	6	14	430	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30-34	1	1	1	43	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35-39	—	1	—	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
40-44	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
45-49	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55-59	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
65+	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total brides, 1970: 31,290						Total grooms, 1970: 31,290							
Brides 24 years and under, 1970: 24,943						Grooms 24 years and under, 1970: 20,727							
Percentage of total brides 24 years and under, 1970: 79						Percentage of total grooms 24 years and under, 1970: 66							

* Minnesota Department of Health, Division of Vital Statistics
 Note: This chart includes figures only for the age group we are concerned with (9-22).

Aid to Families of Dependent Children

The recent Minnesota Public Welfare Department study on AFDC (table 16) indicates that half the children receiving benefits under the AFDC program in 1970 were over the age of 9. Mothers under the age of 22 receiving AFDC payments accounted for only 11 percent of the mothers receiving such payments. Fathers under the age of 22 receiving AFDC payments for their children accounted for only 3 percent of the fathers receiving such payments.

A breakdown by race of the children who benefited from AFDC payments in Minnesota in 1970 shows that 87 percent of such children were white, 8 percent were black, and 5 percent were American Indian (table 17).

Table 16. Age distribution of mothers receiving AFDC payments, by race, Minnesota, 1970*

Age	Race					Total by age	Percentage of total AFDC mothers all ages
	White	Black	Indian	Other	Unknown		
18	90	—	—	—	—	90	0.30
19	448	90	90	—	—	628	2.20
20	269	179	—	—	90	538	1.90
21	986	179	—	—	90	1,255	4.40
22	628	—	—	—	90	718	2.50
Total 18-22 years	2,421	448	90	—	270	3,229	11.30
Total AFDC mothers	22,145	1,972	1,614	179	2,869	28,779	100

* Minnesota Department of Public Welfare, *Minnesota AFDC Study*, January 1971
 Note: Mothers under 22 accounted for 3,229 or 11.3 percent of the mothers of children receiving AFDC payments. Fathers under 22 numbered 897 and accounted for 3.1 percent of the fathers in families receiving AFDC payments.

Table 17. Age distribution of children in AFDC families, by race of payee, Minnesota, 1970

Age	Race					Total by age	Percentage of total children all ages receiving AFDC
	White	Black	Indian	Other	Unknown		
9	3,945	269	90	—	179	4,483	6.1
10	3,586	269	90	90	359	4,394	6.0
11	3,945	448	448	—	448	5,289	7.2
12	2,690	538	269	—	359	3,856	5.3
13	3,586	179	90	90	359	4,304	5.9
14	2,510	359	179	90	628	3,766	5.1
15	2,241	179	90	—	179	2,689	3.7
16	3,317	269	269	90	448	4,393	6.0
17	1,614	269	90	—	179	2,152	2.9
18	717	90	—	—	—	807	1.1
19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total							
9-20 years	28,151	2,869	1,615	360	3,137	36,132	49.2
Total children							
	53,302	6,007	3,317	717	7,083	73,426	100

* Minnesota Department of Public Welfare, *Minnesota AFDC Study*, January 1972

Note: Children below the age of 9 numbered 37,305 and accounted for 50.8 percent of the total number of children in families receiving AFDC payments.

Foster Care and State Guardianship of Adolescents

Available statistics on foster care are not broken down into age categories, making them unsuitable for this study. Between 1965 and 1970, state wards accounted for a declining percentage of the total number of foster children in the state. The decline in state guardianship of foster children was from 26.6 percent in 1965-66 to 21.0 percent in 1969-70. The length of time state wards stayed in foster homes also declined, from an average of 271 days in 1965-66 to 257 days in 1969-70. This trend was in the opposite direction for mentally retarded and nonstate ward children, who spent more time under foster care. The figures show that youths 12-22 years old constitute a small percentage of state wards.

Table 18. Children committed to state guardianship, Minnesota, 1970-71*

Age	Total number of children	Number of males	Number of females
Under 2	316	155	161
2-3	46	25	21
4-8	74	45	29
9-13	43	26	17
14 years and older	55	24	31
Total	534	275	259

* Minnesota Department of Public Welfare, *Annual Report: Children Under State Guardianship as Dependent/Neglected, 1970-1971*

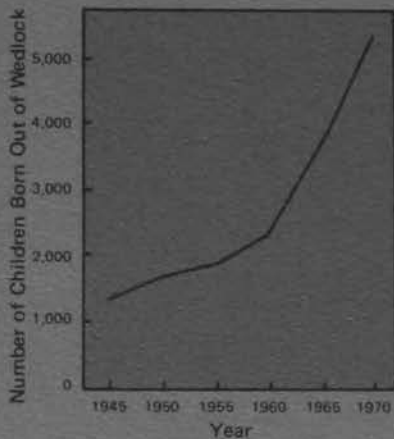


Figure 2. Number of children born out of wedlock, by year, Minnesota

Unwed Mothers

Most statistics concerning unwed mothers are not broken down by age. However, it was reported that in fiscal year 1970, nearly 60 percent of all unwed mothers in Minnesota were under 25. With some reservations then, many of the other statistics concerning unwed mothers probably are relevant to the age group with which we are concerned (12-22). Available statistics show that the number of births out of wedlock nearly quadrupled between 1945 and 1970 (figure 2). In the period since 1960, the number has more than doubled. Not only has the number of births to unwed mothers increased, but births to unwed mothers represent a larger proportion of all live births. According to the Minnesota Department of Public Health, the ratio of births to married mothers to the number for unwed mothers was 34:1 in 1960. By 1970 this figure had decreased to 12:1 (table 19).

Unwed mothers 17-20 years old represented the largest group of unwed mothers in 1970 (table 20).

Table 21 shows that the proportion of births to unwed mothers of any one age group has almost uniformly risen for all races, although the Department of Public Health reports that American Indians and blacks consistently have a higher proportion of children born out of wedlock compared to total children born.

Table 22 shows the place of residence in 1970 for unwed mothers in Minnesota under the age of 24.

Table 19. Births in and out of wedlock, Minnesota, 1960-71*

Year	Number of births in wedlock	Number of births out of wedlock	Ratio of births to wed mothers/ births to unwed mothers
1960	85,105	2,525	35:1
1961	83,826	2,737	32:1
1962	81,952	2,965	29:1
1963	77,296	3,226	25:1
1964	73,549	3,655	21:1
1965	67,112	3,786	19:1
1966	62,618	4,158	16:1
1967	59,924	4,407	15:1
1968	59,706	4,916	13:1
1969	60,869	5,063	13:1
1970	62,842	5,526	12:1
1971 (6 months)	30,803	2,553	12:1

* Minnesota Department of Public Health (Figures for 1970 and 1971 are provisional.)

Table 20. Age of unwed mothers, Minnesota, 1970*

Age of unwed mothers at confinement	Number of unwed mothers
12-16	560
17-20	2,645
21-24	1,440
Total unwed mothers, all ages, 1970:	5,400

* Minnesota Department of Public Welfare, Annual Report: Children Born Out of Wedlock, 1970-1971

Table 21. Comparison of proportion of children born out of wedlock to total number of children born, by race and age of mother, Minnesota, 1970 and 1965*

Race	Children born out of wedlock (BOW) compared to total children born (TCB)					
	To women under 15†		To women 15-19		To women 20-24	
	Ratio BOW/TCB	Percent BOW	Ratio BOW/TCB	Percent BOW	Ratio BOW/TCB	Percent BOW
1970						
White	22/25	88	2,186/7,804	28	1,953/25,565	7
American Indian	5/5	100	129/217	59	101/320	31
Negro	8/8	100	221/303	72	177/390	45
Other	0/0	0	4/14	28	4/67	5
1965						
White	26/27	96	1,332/6,740	19	1,248/24,310	5
American Indian	2/2	100	93/184	50	81/284	28
Negro	8/8	100	91/161	56	71/255	27
Other	0/0	0	4/16	25	5/37	13

* Minnesota Department of Public Health, Division of Vital Statistics

† Most children born to women under the age of 15 are born out of wedlock.

Table 22. County of residence and age of unwed mothers under 25, Minnesota, fiscal 1970*

Age	County of residence				
	Hennepin	Ramsey	St. Louis	Rural	Out of state
12	—	—	1	—	—
13	4	1	—	4	—
14	8	9	2	12	3
15	38	26	10	63	6
16	93	54	28	127	26
17	186	91	34	236	19
18	202	102	31	275	57
19	199	119	36	277	72
20	170	123	32	232	78
21-24	546	232	65	428	130
Total under 25†	1,446	757	239	1,652	391

* Minnesota Department of Public Welfare, Annual Report: Children Born Out of Wedlock, Fiscal Year 1970-1971

† N = 4,485

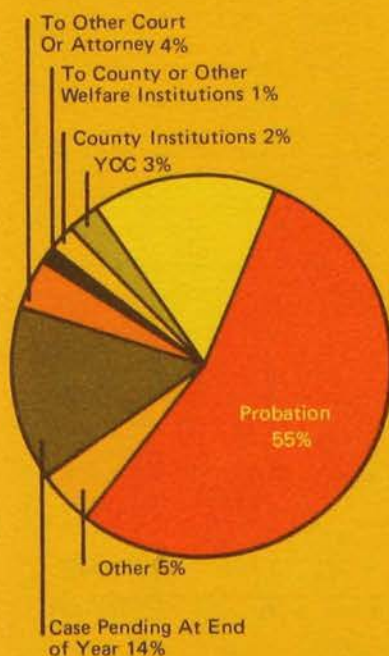


Figure 3. Disposition of juvenile court petitions, Minnesota, 1970

Juvenile Court Activity

Juvenile courts processed over 13,000 petitions in 1970. Figure 3 gives an overall view of the disposal of these petitions. Tables 23 and 24, which contain figures for 1965 and 1970, indicate a dramatic rise in the number of petitions handled by the rural juvenile courts, contrasted with an actual drop in petitions brought before Hennepin, Ramsey, and St. Louis County Juvenile Courts in 1970 compared to 1965. These changes may reflect a shift in population to Twin Cities suburban counties, which are included in the data for rural counties.

Table 25 shows that in urban counties in 1965, over one-fourth of all cases had to be held over until 1966. The table also shows that rural counties committed a higher percentage of youth to the state Youth Conservation Commission (YCC) than did urban counties. Urban counties committed young people to county institutions more frequently than did rural counties; rural counties usually have no such facilities. There was a slight trend from 1965 to 1970 for rural courts to use probation less often than urban counties. Rural courts dismissed about 20 percent of all petitions brought before them, while urban courts dismissed only 7-8 percent.

The types of charges on which a boy was brought before juvenile court (table 26 and figures 4 and 5) were predominantly for crimes against property: burglary, theft, auto theft, forgery, receiving stolen goods, vandalism, tampering, trespassing, fraud, and arson. Girls most often appeared before the court for juvenile crimes, those acts that are considered delinquent only for the juvenile. They include violations of liquor laws, truancy, runaway, curfew, be-

havior injurious to self, and incorrigibility. Fewer charges were made for crimes against others: homicide, rape, robbery, assault, sex offense, disorderly conduct, and bomb threats. The category *other* includes violations of drug laws. The figures available did not specify whether drug law violations were for possession of drugs or for intent to sell.

Figure 4. Juvenile court charges, Hennepin, Ramsey, and St. Louis Counties, Minnesota, 1970

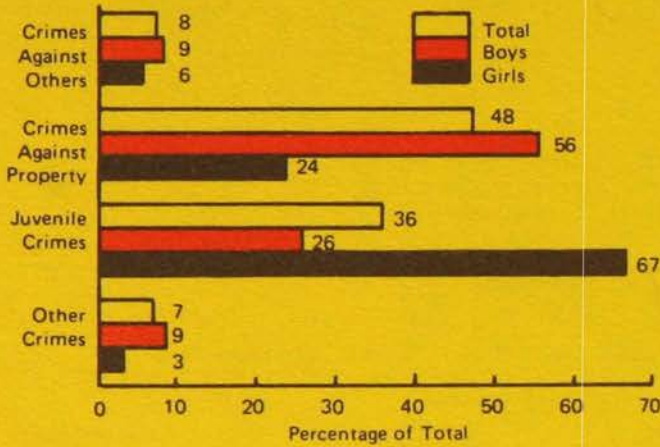


Figure 5. Juvenile court petitions, 84 rural counties, Minnesota, 1970

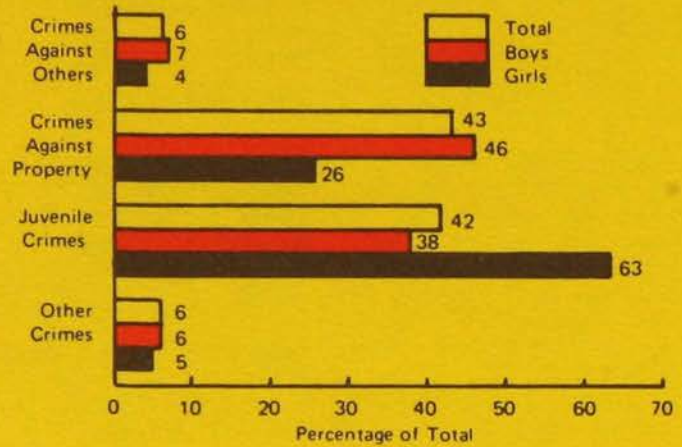


Table 23. Juvenile court petition disposal, Minnesota, 1965 and 1970*

Petitions disposed of during year	Rural counties (N=84)						Hennepin, Ramsey, St. Louis Counties 1965			Hennepin, St. Louis Counties 1970†		
	1965		1970		1965			1970†				
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Dismissed	1,112	187	1,299	1,424	324	1,766	317	69	386	199	76	275
Referred to district city attorney	685	80	765	302	8	310	137	25	161	192	61	253
Committed to YCC	233	39	272	228	50	278	105	20	125	63	20	83
Committed to county institutions	6	2	8	30	—	30	219	—	219	151	48	199
Placed under custody												
County welfare board	—	—	—	46	51	97	—	—	—	21	24	45
Other institutions	—	—	—	10	1	11	—	—	—	7	8	15
Placed on court probation	2,854	446	3,300	3,816	672	4,488	2,481	649	3,130	2,141	469	2,610
Petitions pending, end of year	343	45	388	1,007	119	1,126	1,279	289	1,568	724	39	763
Other	566	136	702	526	119	645	184	49	233	10	1	11
Total	4,799	935	5,734	7,389	1,362	8,751	4,722	1,101	5,823	3,508	746	4,254

* Minnesota Department of Corrections, Division of Research and Planning, *County Juvenile Court and Probation Office Reports: 84 Rural Counties, 1965, 1970; Hennepin, Ramsey, St. Louis Counties, 1965; and Hennepin, St. Louis Counties, 1970*

† Ramsey County statistics not available for 1970.

Table 24. Juvenile court probation sources, Minnesota, 1965 and 1970*

Juvenile court probations	Rural counties (N=84)						Hennepin, Ramsey, St. Louis Counties 1965			Hennepin, St. Louis Counties 1970†		
	1965		1970		1965			1970†				
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Continued from previous year	1,567	289	1,856	4,568	834	5,402	2,164	505	2,669	2,194	278	2,472
Placed on probation	2,656	409	3,065	3,349	603	3,952	2,598	653	3,251	1,175	279	1,454
Transferred for supervision	55	12	67	76	22	98	509	4	513	362	152	514
Total	4,278	710	4,988	7,993	1,495	9,452	5,271	862	6,123	3,731	708	4,439

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† Ramsey County statistics not available for 1970.

Table 25. Percentage of types of disposals of juvenile court petitions, Minnesota, 1965 and 1970*

Petitions disposed of during year	Rural counties (N=84)		Hennepin, Ramsey, St. Louis Counties†	
	1965	1970	1965	1970
	Percent			
Pending, end of year	6.71	12.87	26.93	17.94
Committed to county institutions	.14	.34	3.76	4.88
Committed to YCC	4.14	3.18	2.15	1.95
Placed on probation	57.55	51.29	53.75	61.35
Dismissed	23.00	20.00	7.00	6.00

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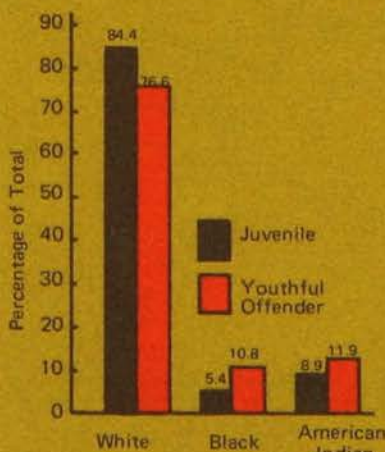
† Ramsey County statistics not available for 1970.

Table 26. Juvenile court petitions, by charge, Minnesota, 1965 and 1970*

Charge	Rural counties (N=84)						Hennepin, Ramsey, St. Louis Counties†					
	1965			1970			1965			1970		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Homicide	3	—	3	2	—	2	1	—	1	2	—	2
Rape	2	—	2	4	—	4	—	—	—	3	—	3
Robbery	19	—	19	13	2	15	32	1	33	40	2	42
Assault	133	3	136	167	33	200	167	14	181	128	29	157
Burglary	327	6	333	586	19	605	416	10	426	309	10	319
Theft and larceny	1,074	36	1,110	1,225	60	1,285	521	83	604	499	55	554
Shoplifting	200	91	291	273	181	454	34	42	76	61	65	126
Auto theft	313	24	337	306	20	326	607	15	622	461	29	490
Forgery	59	14	73	62	14	76	15	9	24	18	19	37
Receiving stolen property	27	—	27	41	3	45	123	16	139	88	13	101
Arson	19	1	20	30	1	31	12	1	13	12	—	12
Sex offense (not rape)	42	19	61	37	2	39	46	16	62	20	4	24
Liquor laws	1,472	258	1,730	2,085	408	2,493	678	128	806	269	26	295
Drug laws	17	—	17	187	31	218	1	2	3	131	28	159
Disorderly conduct	227	17	244	248	15	263	130	5	135	60	19	79
Vandalism	597	24	621	430	22	452	162	8	170	91	3	94
Truancy	77	59	136	180	78	258	111	87	198	125	96	221
Incorrigibility	118	125	243	145	117	262	144	66	210	76	135	211
Runaway	39	82	121	72	127	199	143	225	368	224	341	565
Curfew and loitering	60	37	97	106	79	185	24	20	44	14	7	21
Traffic (not parking violations)	134	10	144	74	18	92	63	3	66	77	4	81
Game laws	—	—	—	114	6	120	—	—	—	3	0	3
Tampering (auto)	—	—	—	34	3	37	—	—	—	82	17	99
Bomb threat	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	0	1
Trespassing	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	0	10
Behavior injurious to self	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	7	13
Fraud	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	6	13
Contempt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	63	1	64
Other	8	28	36	252	32	284	82	19	101	44	4	48
Total	4,967	834	5,801	6,673	1,271	7,941	3,512	770	4,282	2,924	919	3,843

* Minnesota Department of Corrections, Division of Research and Planning, *County Juvenile Court and Probation Office Reports: 84 Rural Counties, 1965, 1970; Hennepin, Ramsey, St. Louis Counties, 1965; and Hennepin, St. Louis Counties, 1970.*

† Information on juvenile court activity in Ramsey County in 1970 was obtained from the Ramsey County Court Service.



Commitments to Institutions for Delinquents

The statistics for this section were drawn from a comprehensive report by the Minnesota Corrections Department, Division of Research and Planning, entitled *Characteristics of Populations Under Supervision of the Institutions and Field Services—July 1, 1969-June 30, 1970.*

The Minnesota Corrections Department, through the YCC, operates several facilities for juveniles in the state: the Minnesota Reception and Diagnostic Center at Lino Lakes for boys and girls; the State Training School for Boys at Red Wing; the Minnesota Home School at Sauk Center for females and younger male juveniles; and camps near Sandstone, Togo, and Willow River. The Department of Corrections operates two facilities for youthful offenders: a reception center for men at the St. Cloud Reformatory and a similar reception center for women at the Minnesota Correctional Institution at Shakopee.

Figure 6. Juvenile and youthful offender commitments by court to State Board of Corrections, by race, Minnesota, 1970

Table 27 gives a breakdown of age and sex distribution for juvenile and youthful offenders committed to the YCC in the fiscal year 1969. Legally, a juvenile is a youth up to the age of 18, and a youthful offender is between 18 and 24. As table 27 shows, there actually is some overlap in ages between the two categories.

The racial makeup of the institutional population described in table 28 and figure 6 shows that there were more blacks and American Indians in the youthful offender populations than in the juvenile population.

Figures 7 and 8 show the distribution of acts committed by young people who have been committed to the YCC. These graphs are based on the admission offenses presented in tables 29 and 30. The largest percentage of juveniles committed were arrested for acts considered delinquent for juveniles: drinking, curfew violations, etc. Among youthful offenders this category dropped to almost zero.

Figure 7. Juveniles in state correctional institutions, by offense, Minnesota, 1969-70

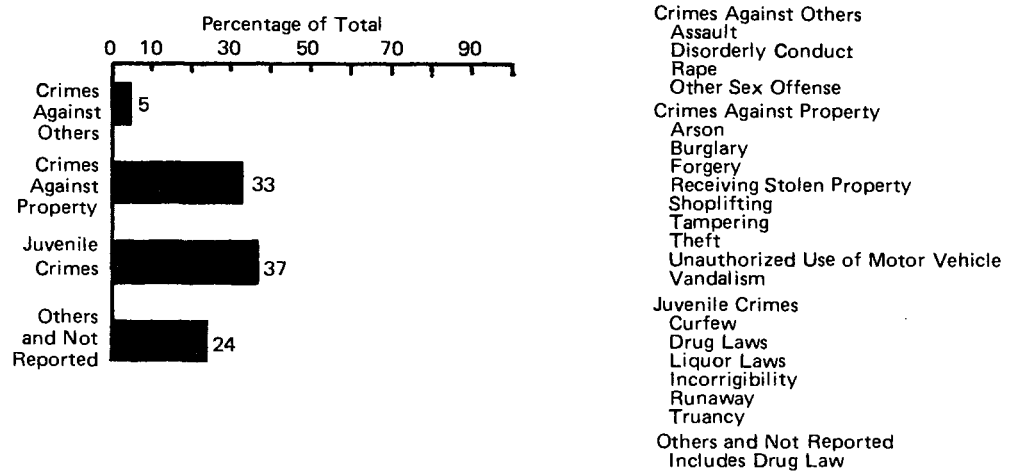


Figure 8. Youthful offenders in state correctional institutions, by offense, Minnesota, 1969-70

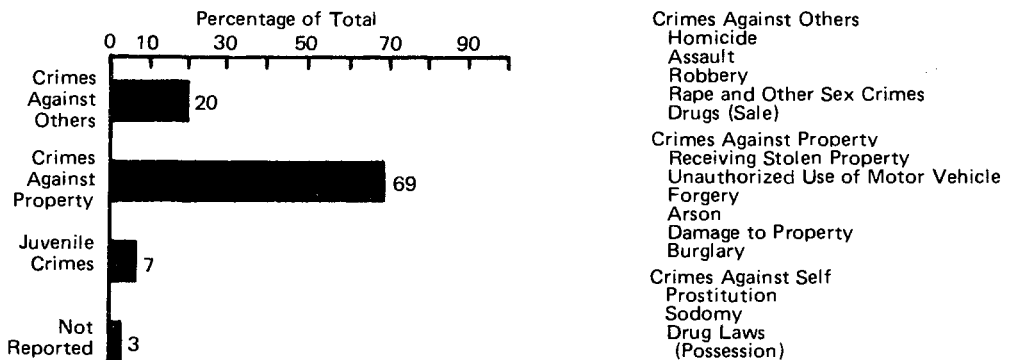


Table 27. New court commitments, by age description, Minnesota, 1969-70*

	Juvenile	Youthful offender
	Number	Number
Male	620	265
Female	201	4
Total	821	269
Age distribution	Years	Years
Median	15.4	19.0
Mean	15.3	19.0
Mode	15.0	18.0
Range	11-18	16-23

* Minnesota Department of Corrections, Division of Research and Planning, *Characteristics of Populations Under Supervision of the Institutions and Field Services—July 1, 1969-June 30, 1970*

Table 28. New court commitments, by race, Minnesota, 1969-70*

Juvenile	Boys	Girls	Total	Percentage
White	529	164	693	84.4
Black	35	9	44	05.4
American Indian	45	28	73	08.9
Spanish American	6	—	6	00.7
Other	5	—	5	00.6
Total	620	201	821	100.0

Youthful offender	Men	Women	Total	Percentage
White	203	3	206	76.6
Black	29	—	29	10.8
American Indian	31	1	32	11.9
Spanish American	2	—	2	00.7
Other	—	—	—	—
Total	265	4	269	100.0

* Minnesota Department of Corrections, Division of Research and Planning, *Characteristics of Populations Under Supervision of the Institutions and Field Services—July 1, 1969-June 30, 1970*

Table 29. Admission offense for new commitments, juveniles, Minnesota, 1969-70*

Offense	Boys	Girls	Total	Total percentage of all commitments
Arson	5	—	5	0.6
Assault	29	2	31	3.8
Burglary	67	3	70	8.5
Curfew	7	1	8	1.0
Disorderly conduct	4	—	4	0.5
Drug laws	8	2	10	1.2
Forgery	15	1	16	2.0
Incorrigibility	45	45	90	11.0
Liquor laws	27	5	32	3.9
Rape	3	—	3	0.4
Other sex offenses	2	—	2	0.2
Receiving stolen property	2	—	2	0.2
Runaway	84	55	139	16.9
Shoplifting	4	5	9	1.1
Tampering	10	—	10	1.2
Theft	97	6	103	12.6
Traffic	1	—	1	0.1
Truancy	27	11	38	4.6
Unauthorized use of motor vehicle	48	4	52	6.3
Vandalism	7	—	7	0.9
Other	119	56	175	21.3
Not reported	9	5	14	1.7
Total	620	201	821	100.0

* Minnesota Department of Corrections, Division of Research and Planning, *Characteristics of Populations Under Supervision of the Institutions and Field Services—July 1, 1969-June 30, 1970*

Table 30. Admission offense for new commitments, youthful offenders, Minnesota, 1969-70*

Offense	Male	Female	Total	Percentage
<i>Homicides</i>				
Criminal negligence	1	—	1	0.4
Manslaughter, 1st degree	5	—	5	1.9
Manslaughter, 2nd degree	1	—	1	0.4
Murder, 3rd degree	2	—	2	0.7

Table 30 (continued). Admission offense for new commitments, youthful offenders, Minnesota, 1969-70

Offense	Male	Female	Total	Percentage
<i>Crimes against persons</i>				
Aggravated assault	6	—	6	2.2
Aggravated robbery	17	—	17	6.3
Simple robbery	12	—	12	4.5
<i>Thefts</i>				
Receiving stolen property	9	—	9	3.3
Theft	32	—	32	11.9
Unauthorized use of motor vehicle	35	—	35	13.0
<i>Forgery</i>				
Aggravated forgery	12	—	12	4.5
Forgery	—	1	1	0.4
<i>Damage to property</i>				
Aggravated arson	1	—	1	0.4
Aggravated damage to property	2	—	2	0.7
Burglary	92	—	92	34.2
<i>Sex offenses</i>				
Carnal knowledge	2	—	2	0.7
Indecent assault	4	—	4	1.5
Prostitution (gross misdemeanor)	—	1	1	0.4
Rape	2	—	2	0.7
Sodomy	4	—	4	1.5
<i>Drug law</i>				
Illegal sale	1	—	1	0.4
Illegal possession	12	—	12	4.5
Illegal possession (gross misdemeanor)	3	1	4	1.5
<i>Miscellaneous</i>				
Escape from custody on felony conviction	2	—	2	0.7
Not reported	8	1	9	3.3
Total	265	4	269	100.0

* Minnesota Department of Corrections, Division of Research and Planning, *Characteristics of Populations under Supervision of the Institutions and Field Services—July 1, 1969-June 30, 1970*.

Mental Hospital Admissions

Statistics available on admissions to state mental hospitals are not categorized consistently for the years 1960 and 1970. However, they do show that admissions for people under the age of 25 roughly doubled during those 10 years (table 31). In 1960, patients under 25 accounted for 10 percent of the total patient population, whereas in 1970 they accounted for 22 percent of it (figure 9).

Table 31. State mental hospital admissions, people under 25, Minnesota, 1960-61 and 1970-71*

Source of admittance	Number of people 25 years and under 1960-61	Number of people 25 years and under 1970-71
New admissions	363	822
Returns from provisional discharge	61	15
Transfers from other institutions	—	81
Total	424	918
Total patients all ages†	4,143	4,157
Percentage of all patients 25 years and under	10	22

* Minnesota Department of Public Welfare, Division of Medical Services, Statistics Section

† Inebriates not included

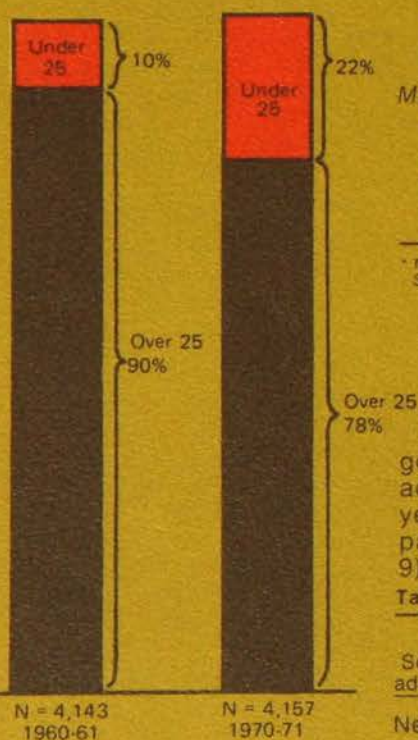
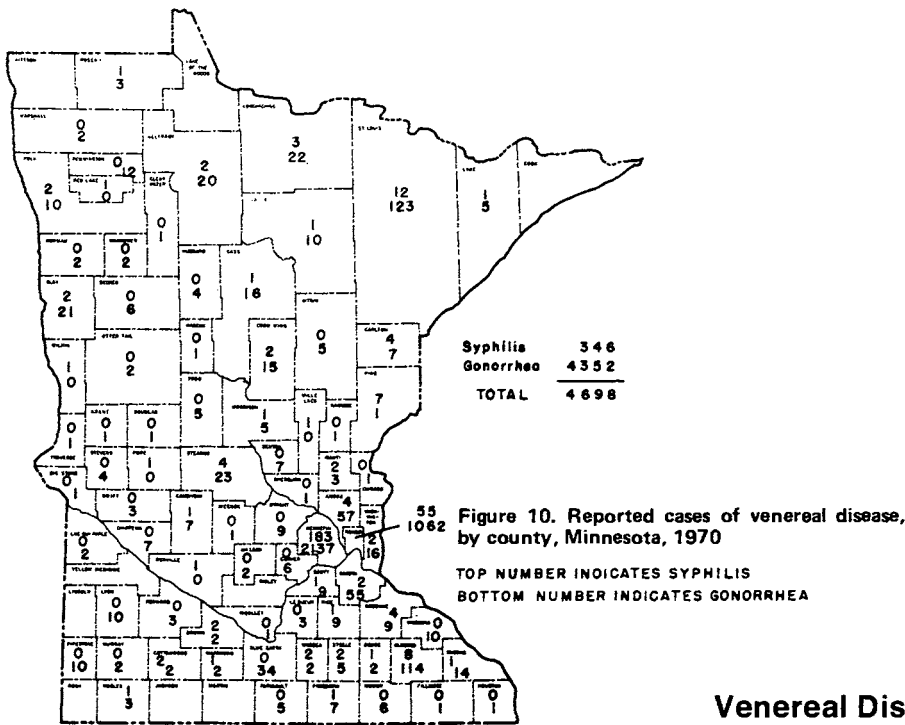


Figure 9. Percentage of people under age 25 entering state mental hospitals, Minnesota, 1960-61 and 1970-71



Venereal Disease

Available statistics on venereal disease do not separate youth (ages 12-22) from what has been called the young adult. But figures on venereal disease do show that the number of syphilis cases in Minnesota did not rise greatly, while the number of gonorrhea cases more than doubled during 1964-70 (tables 32 and 33). Most cases of both syphilis and gonorrhea are contracted by people under the age of 29. Those in the older group, ages 20-29, contract these diseases two to three times more often than those in the younger group, ages 10-19. Figure 10 shows that the incidence of venereal disease in rural counties was lower than the incidence in urban counties in 1970.

Table 32. New cases of early syphilis, by age, Minnesota, 1964-70*

	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970
Age							
0-9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-19	17	9	16	14	13	7	13
20-29	61	51	25	50	43	42	62
Total cases (all ages)	164	124	71	94	96	96	111
Percentage of all cases contracted by those 10-19 ...	10	7	22	16	14	7	12
Percentage of all cases contracted by those under 29 ..	47	48	57	30	58	51	67

* Minnesota Department of Health, Division of Disease Prevention and Control, *Venereal Diseases in 1970*

Table 33. New cases of gonorrhea, by age, Minnesota, 1964-70*

	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970
Age							
0-9	2	6	8	8	6	5	5
10-19	321	361	414	604	590	901	895
20-29	1,147	1,273	1,367	1,710	1,852	2,269	2,566
Total cases (all ages)	2,020	2,254	2,417	3,038	3,316	3,978	4,352
Percentage of all cases contracted by those 10-19 ...	16	16	17	20	18	23	21
Percentage of all cases contracted by those under 29 ..	73	73	74	76	74	80	80

* Minnesota Department of Health, Division of Disease Prevention and Control, *Venereal Diseases in 1970*



Census Data Definitions*

- EMPLOYED:** civilians 14 and over who during the reference week were either "at work" (did any work for pay or profit or worked without pay for 15 hours or more on a family farm or business) or "with a job, but not at work" (were temporarily absent because of reasons such as illness, vacation, etc.).
- POVERTY LEVEL:** determined using poverty index adopted by a Federal Interagency Committee in 1969. This index takes into account factors of family size, number of children, and farm-nonfarm residence as well as amount of dollar income. The poverty level is based on an economy food plan designed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for "emergency or temporary use when funds are low." The definition assumes that a family is classified as poor if its total dollar income amounts to less than approximately three times the cost of the "economy" food plan. These cutoff levels are updated every year to reflect changes in the consumer price index.
- RACE:** refers to the division of the population into white, Negro, and several other racial categories. These racial categories do not correspond to strict scientific definitions. Persons were asked to indicate their race by selecting one of the following: white, Negro or black, Indian (American), Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, Hawaiian, Korean, or other (specify). Written entries in the "other" category were checked against a list of possible entries. This list indicates whether the written entry should remain in the "other" category or be correctly classified in one of the printed categories. If the written entry does not appear on the list, the entry remains in the "other" category.
- RURAL FARM (RF):** persons residing on places of 10 or more acres from which sales were made of crops, livestock, and other farm products amounting to \$50 or more in the previous year.
- RURAL NONFARM (RNF):** persons residing in rural territory, but not on farms.
- UNEMPLOYED:** civilians 14 years and over who were neither at work nor "with a job, but not at work" within the past 4 weeks and were "available for work" during the reference week. Persons waiting to be called back to a job from which they had been laid off or who were waiting to report to a new wage or salary job within 30 days were counted among the unemployed.
- URBAN:** all incorporated and unincorporated places of 2,500 or more inhabitants.

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